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In re Application of:

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For: AN INTEGRATED OPTICAL CIRCUIT
HAVING AN INTEGRATED ARRAYED
WAVEGUIDE GRATING (AWG) AND
OPTICAL AMPLIFIER(S)

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2003, the Applicant submits the following Remarks and request that the Examiner reconsider the application.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. Please credit any overpayment to the same deposit account.

Kindly consider the following Remarks.

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